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16 July 1957

INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting Held in
IAC Conference Room, Administration Building
Central Intelligence Agency, at 1045, 16 July 1957

Director of Central Intelligence
Allen W. Dulles
Presiding*

Deputy Director of Central Intelligence
Lieutenant General Charles P. Cabell
Presiding*

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Gordon Arneson, acting for Special Assistant, Intelligence, Department of State
Major General Robert A. Schow, Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence, Department of the Army
Rear Admiral Laurence H. Frost, Director of Naval Intelligence, Department of the Navy
Major General Millard Lewis, Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence, United States Air Force
Colonel E. G. Van Orman, acting for Deputy Director for Intelligence, The Joint Staff
Mr. Harry S. Traynor, Atomic Energy Commission representative to the IAC

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1. Approval of Minutes
9 July Meeting
(IAC-M-297)

Approved as written, except for paragraph 6 (b), which was amended to read as follows:

"b. Agreed to defer consideration of the question of the release of this estimate to USIA, pending a recommendation of the Board of National Estimates to be made in time for the next regular IAC meeting. It was further agreed that the Board would hereafter as a matter of routine recommend the release or non-release to USIA of each NIE at the time of its consideration by the IAC."

2. Memorandum regarding Review of NIE 11-6-57 for NESC Needs, 15 July 1957

In light of the memorandum from the Director of the Net Evaluation Subcommittee, it was agreed that the Board of National Estimates should report to the IAC before the middle of October whether or not the contributions to NIE 11-4-57 or any early draft of the estimate indicated that there were substantial changes in Soviet gross capabilities. The IAC would then advise the NESC of any such changes.

3. Review of Crisis Situations

a. Watch Committee Report No. 362

Noted.

b. The Situation in the Gulf of Aqaba

The Chairman asked the members to consider a memorandum on this subject, prepared in CIA and dated 16 July. Mr. Arneson stated that the subject was currently under consideration in the Department of State. The Chairman indicated his intention of dealing

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with this topic in his briefing of the NSC on 18 July. Admiral Frost stated that he would disseminate a report on the naval situation in the Gulf. The Chairman expressed his belief that the situation should continue to be carefully studied and that all should keep their principals advised of developments.

4. Review of NSCID No. 2
(IAC-D-105/2, 11 July;
IAC-M-297, item 4)

General Lewis suggested a minor amendment to paragraph 6 which was accepted. There was no further discussion of the proposed draft of NSCID No. 2, and it was agreed to table NSCID No. 2 together with NSCID No. 1 and the later directives for future consideration as a group.

5. Review of NSCID No. 3
(IAC-D-105/3, 20 June)

At the suggestion of General Truscott, it was agreed to add a sentence to paragraph 1 (e) noting that the production of National Intelligence was covered by NSCID No. 1. After a discussion of the footnote to paragraph 3, it was agreed to drop the reference to a letter from the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy and to revise the wording regarding the role of the Joint Atomic Energy Intelligence Committee. General Truscott then tabled a draft of paragraph 3 arranging the substance in textual rather than tabular form. General Lewis tabled a draft of paragraph 3 which was the subject of considerable discussion. It was agreed that the ad hoc working group should reconsider paragraph 3, giving consideration to the Air Force draft, the textual revision submitted by General Truscott, and the views of the members which emerged from the discussion. There was also a brief discussion of the current intelligence problem. The Chairman reiterated his interest in making CIA current intelligence as responsive as possible to the needs of the other agencies and his interest in developing some arrangement for obtaining their advice, where time permitted, in evaluating current intelligence.

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6. SNIE 50-57
Probable Developments
in the Kashmir Dispute

Approved as amended.

7. NIE 11-57
Sino-Soviet Bloc Air Defense
Capabilities Through Mid-1962

a. Approved as amended.

b. Noted the post-mortem on this estimate.

c. Noted the validity study of NIE 11-5-55, "Air Defense of the Sino-Soviet Bloc, 1955-1960," 12 July 1955.

8. Release of NIE's to USIA
Memorandum to IAC, 15 July)

a. Agreed to release NIE 100-4-57, "Implications for the Communist Bloc and the Free World of Growing Nuclear Capabilities"; SNIE 50-57, "Probable Developments in the Kashmir Dispute"; and NIE 11-2A-57, "Soviet Nuclear Energy Program," to USIA.

b. Agreed not to release NIE 11-57, "Sino-Soviet Bloc Air Defense Capabilities Through Mid-1962," to USIA.

9. Executive Session

Adjournment: 1230

Acting Secretary

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2. No objection having been raised by a member (memorandum to IAC, 2 July), the memorandum to the Chairman, S-DMICC, was forwarded on 13 July.

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